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The Dexter Bank Case.

While we have no information that is not shared with the public, in regard to the guilt or innocence of the man charged with the perpetration of robbery and murder at Dexter nine years ago, we are not only willing but deem it our duty to wait at least until the case against them is formally presented before rendering judgment upon its merits.

It strikes us that some of our newspapers are premature, to say the least, in rendering a verdict before they have learned what the facts are. A few days ago we had columns of microscopic criticism of the details of Stain's story published in the *World*, and the hasty analyzers of the newspaper reporter's sensational garnishings, discovered after they had exposed the "falsified discrepancies," that none of the contradicted details were contained in Stain's actual statement. It is manifest that no good can result from that kind of snap-judgment rendered in advance of the disclosure of the evidence upon which Sheriff Mitchell, who made the arrests, says he relies for the conviction of the prisoners.

It seems to us that the very gravity of this case demands that any and every fact that can have a bearing upon it should be carefully, seriously and thoroughly investigated.

Whatever else may be in doubt, it is known that J. Wilson Parson, the Treasurer of the Dexter Savings Bank, met his death by violence and under appalling circumstances, and that public opinion has been divided upon the question whether he died by his own act or was murdered by robbers in the bank. Any clue that offers even the slightest promise of unravelling this mystery, should unquestionably be followed by the officers of the law with all possible care; and when one member of a gang of notorious criminals has explicitly charged that it is associates committed this crime, it is necessary that they become a public duty that the murderer should be sifted to the bottom.

Nothing is to be gained by attempting to convict these men before they have even been arraigned, and it is equally futile to dismiss the whole matter with a sneer at the bad character of the accused. Justice has very frequently been pit on the trick of crime by men as wicked as those pursued, and it has become axiomatic that "when rogues fall out honest men get their dues."

We hold, therefore, as we stated several days ago, that the very seriousness of the matter involved, requires that this charge, implicating two men in connection with one of the most startling tragedies in the annals of Maine, shall be deliberately and completely investigated to a demonstration of its truth or falsehood.

(*Kennebec Journal*)

To This:

Yesterday's *Sunday Globe* contains the stupid statement that Hon. C. A. Boutelle had written a letter to Governor Bowdoin desiring him not to enforce the prohibitory law in Penobscot County. It is needless to say that Mr. Boutelle has never written anything of the kind to Governor Bowdoin. The *Globe's* rumpus is too palpably false to deceive even its most gullible readers.

The Proc.

The Boston *Herald* assumes a tone of injured innocence and claims that the *Wing* did it an injustice when in commenting upon the *Herald's* treatment of the President's shameful surrender to the Baltimore corruptors we said the *Herald* unblushingly justified him on the ground that to do otherwise would endanger his reelection. This the *Herald* declares to be a misrepresentation as it contends that it said nothing about Mr. Cleveland's chances of reelection. Evidently the *Herald's* memory needs logging as to what it really did say in defense of the President's persistent refusal to listen to the appeal of the Mary and Reformers, who are now engaged in a desperate contest in behalf of law and order with the corrupt ring headed by Mr. Cleveland's particular friend and valued counsellor, Senator Gorham, consequently we quote its own words as follows:

"There may have been civil service reform in Maryland, who would care for any man who took a stand in this question, no matter to which political party he belonged; and there are just now Republicans who—as they have no longer any control over official patronage—see the opportunity of making political capital of this reform; but, apparently, the great mass of the Democratic party in the State of Maryland is not only indifferent to every service reform, which causes them to make a stand, but is in the main in favor of the administration. But it has been absolutely impossible to reform. It is, therefore, President Cleveland had attempted to put into force a thorough manner the principles of civil service reform in the State of Maryland, and all probability he would have had the *admirable* popularity of the electors of that State." Politically considered, the results would probably be fatal both to his party and to himself.

The Italics in the above quotation are our own. If this is not a plain and unqualified approval of the President's course in joining hands with the Maryland thugs solely as a matter of political necessity as affecting his future aspirations, what is it? Mr. Cleveland is just now securing the country in a Pullman train for votes and according to the *Herald's* own admission votes alone have controlled his action in the Maryland case. This is no surprise to us for we have always believed Mr. Cleveland to be a politician of the machine type, but when the *Herald*, which has held him up to the country as an example of all that is good in politics, condones his barefaced partnership with the blackest type of criminals in Maryland as a matter of political expediency to be simply glossed over, it leaves two things: First that the claim put forth that Mr. Cleveland was better than his party, in fact a reformer, was simply a cheap piece of political trickery to deceive the people; second that organs like the *Herald* are absolutely devoid of political honesty or candor. When the Higgins episode was first brought to public notice the *Herald*, which had deluded itself into the belief that the Mugwumps had some influence with this Administration, promptly called for its removal evidently thinking it safe to go that far. But Mr. Cleveland, who is all the time looking for "votes," did not see it in that light, and Higgins is not only retained but is to-day actively engaged in running the machine in Baltimore against the reformers. The President reasoned and correctly, too, that all honest reformers had deserted his standard long ago, but that he was sure of the professional *Mugwump* vote no matter what course he

persued and therefore he shaped his policy to please the machine. The *Herald* for naughts evidence of his political sagacity in basing on the scruples of the *Mugwump* press, when instead of rebuking his close affiliation with the German-Higgins Ring it readily and unblushingly comes to his defense.

Frederick Douglass to Voters.
A RINGING REPUBLICAN APPEAL.—WHAT THE PARTY HAS DONE AND MUST DO.
PRIVILEGE AND DUTY OF THE COLORED VOTERS.

Frederick Douglass has been asked by the Republican State Committee to speak for the Republican cause and candidate in New York State during this campaign. His uncertain health compels him to decline, but in the following letter he makes the duty of all good citizens, and particularly the colored voters, very clear:

CECIL HILL, ANACOSTIA, D. C., October 6, 1887.

Dear Sir,—Very deeply regret that, owing to the present undoubted infirmity of my body, I am unable to decline your urgent call to take the platform during the present campaign in support of the Republican cause in the State of New York. Were it otherwise, there is no duty to which I would be more willing to respond.

I am sometimes reproached with being too much wedded to the Republican party. I am not ashamed of that reproach. In my own behalf and in behalf of the colored people generally, I confess myself largely in debt to the party, especially for the work which you now ask me to exert and active support.

It was the Republican party of the State of New York, which, first of all the Northern States, had the courage and the consistency to put the name of colored men in prominent places in its documents, and it was the Electoral College of that State that honored me by sending in my custody its electoral vote for Ulysses S. Grant to the President of the Senate of the United States at Washington. I have to beg you, however, to except of dedicating to personal prejudices and many other good things done by that party, and, on the other hand, I must confess to remember many bad things done by the Democratic party, but I can with confidence say that the former far exceeds the latter.

Though I am not at present able to promise to take the stamp as I would gladly do, I can and will earnestly advise every colored citizen of the State of New York, as he values the rights and privileges already secured to him by his voice and vote, and with all his might the New York State Republican ticket, and the whole Republican ticket, without the snare of a single name. I do this and that do it because I recognize the importance of colored education and for every individual's example of dedication to personal prejudices and many other good things done by that party, and, on the other hand, I must confess to remember many bad things done by the Democratic party, but I can with confidence say that the former far exceeds the latter.

Every day I am an Excuse trip until November 1st, when the *Herald* and *Advertiser* leave Bangor at 11 A. M., except Sunday, Oct. 21st, then 11 A. M., Wednesday, Oct. 24th, 1 P. M., and Saturday, Oct. 27th, 1 P. M.

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MAINE NEWS.

THE DEXTER CASE.

An Important Fact Recalled.

More About Young Stain's Record.

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Dexter, Oct. 17. The statement of Eugene Hilton, about a party who took breakfast at his hotel, February 23, 1878, created quite a sensation here. It is learned that none of the searching parties, after the murder, went to North Haven, so the crime was overlooked. An important matter not mentioned by Hon. H. D. French and stating the facts of the murder was brought out at the bank hearing. The man who got over the vault door and the one living person who saw him as he lay in the vault there testified that he found the end of the rope noosed about his neck, lying in a coil or burlap bag, and bound, a position in which he could not possibly have placed it himself; also persons who recognized Stain as the man seen here that day also testified at the trial about the men they saw.

At Attleboro.

Franklin, Mass., Oct. 17. An examination of David L. Stain's book accounts, last Saturday and Sunday, shows a charge for repairing a pair of boots for Frank Martin, of Medfield, Mass., Feb. 18, 1878, the day of the alleged Dexter robbery. Other charges, dated some days later before and after that time were paid.

The Winooski Bank.

Winooski, Oct. 17. Some time last February the officers of the Winooski Bank heard that Charles F. Stain had made a confession that it was his father and Crownell who robbed the bank.

He was then in jail at Norridgewock, where a written confession was sent to him, and he sent back written answers that the body which remains in the dead house will be identified by friends or relatives, not known here.

THE COMING RACE.

Teemer Finds a Horse Shoe.

Portland, Oct. 17. Teemer, Plaisted, Kennedy and Hanna will say good bye to Portland harbor, and to-morrow will leave for Lake Maranacook when Teemer will train up the day of the great race.

The coroner's jury adjourned till next week Tuesday Hoplog in the meantime that the body which remains in the dead house will be identified by friends or relatives, not known here.

Another Dispatch.

The paper published Saturday that Charles F. Stain had confessed that the horses recently arrested for the Dexter robbery were the same that robbed the Winooski Savings Bank is not fresh, as to the officers of the Winooski bank, while young Stain was confined in the Norridgewock jail, last winter, they learned that he had made a confession that his father and himself were the principals in the Winooski bank robbery. He was interviewed in regard to the case, several questions being written him and he replied to writing, but his replies were so much in contrast with the fact that they were considered reliable and the matter was dropped.

Young Stain's wife was a Winooski girl of good family. His good appearance was deceptive, but she soon found her out and obtained a divorce. He sold some time ago several years since, his savings account a farm and working farm. Responsible parties who knew her well say that he was not reliable and a bad trustee. People here await the results of an investigation with a great deal of interest.

Young Stain's Report.

New Portland, Oct. 17. In the fall of last Charles F. Stain came to Stratton, Franklin County, and under the name of Frank Brown, a harness and boot and shoe repair shop. He made occasional trips to Bangor and in New Portland, where the property of H. Clark & Co., to get leather leather articles needed in his shop.

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It is a tonic & restorative.

It is a blood purifier.

It is a diuretic.

It is a stimulant.

It is a tonic.

It is a restorative.

It is a diuretic.

It is a tonic.

It is a restorative.

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